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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Takayuki Sugawara et al.

Serial No:

09/511,931

Filed:

February 24, 2000

For: Disk Device with Improved Error

Correction Capability

Examiner: Stephen M. Baker

Group Art Unit: 2133

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Office Action dated March 27, 2003 for a period of 1 month(s).

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		claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.			
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		Extension Months	Other Than Small Entity	<u>Sr</u>	nall Entity
		One Month Two Months Three Months Four Months Five Months	\$110.00 \$410.00 \$930.00 \$1,450.00 \$1,970.00	\$2 \$4 \$7	55.00 65.00 65.00 25.00 85.00
Fee Payment					
	Attached is a check for \$320.00 for the Notice of Appeal filing fee and \$110.00 for the Petition fee.				
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	Petition Charge	arge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this ition is attached. arge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit count No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.			
			F	Respectfully	submitted,
Dated: <u>July 2, 2003</u>				James A. Collins Registration No. 43,557 Attorney for Applicant	
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